THE LORD

HVMES

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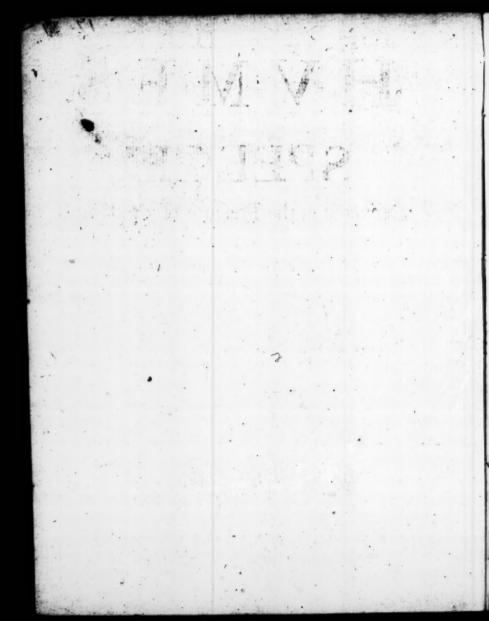
Delivered in the Presence of the Kings most excellent Majesty, to the Honourable Court of Partiament of both Houses then assembled in Scotland, the 16.0f thus present moneth of August, 1641.

Wherein is expressed his Loyalty to his Majesty, his love to both Nations, and his hearty desire unto that Honourable Assembly, to prevent the inconveniences that might arise between Scotland and England, though himselfe had bin formerly one of the chiefe Covenanters against us.





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SPEECH.
To both Houses of Parliament in SCOTLAND.

Burgesses of each Covnty of this Kingdome: wee are here Assembled to doe Gods businesse, and the Kings: in which our owne is included, and we are Christians, as wee are Subjects. Let us first feare God, then shall wee honour the King the more: I am afraid wee have beene the lesse prosperous in our affaires; because we have preferred other things before him.

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The Kingdome is likewise reduced to great Strait, for being locked up from the free course of Trade, between *England* and us, wherein it were undutifulnesse beyond *Inhumanity*, in the

taking of advantage against them.

I have often thought, and faid, that it must be some extremity that would rectifie this Kingdome:and when that extremity did come, it would bee seleat hazard, whether it would prove a remedy or a ruine; wee are fure that the greatest part of our Country is undone for the want of free Trade, and the priviledges which formerly weehad therein, by Trading betweene England and us, & for a better Commerce and Enter-course betweene this Kingdome and England and that it may bee lawfull to Trade and transport Goods and Commodities from this Kingdome into England, as formerly we have done, and they to use without any let or hinderance by each Kingdome, which is our defires.

I confesse he is no good Subject, that will willingly take up Armes against his King, and will nor willingly and freely lay downe his life, when the end may better the service of his Majesty, and the good of the Common wealth.

But let us further reflect upon the illeffects, what those courses have wrought, what by a diffension from us on the one side, and a sepatation on the other, some imagining what was intended

intended, and made hafte to turne before hand the better to be accepted of, and a great Mulritude of them, feeing how farre they were gone, and fearing how much further they thould goe have bin forced to fly the Land.

When Foundations are shaken, it is high time to looke to the Building: hee hath ho heart, no head, no foule, that is not moved in his whole man to look upon the diffresses, and the miseries of the Common-wealth, that is not forward in all that hee hath to redreffe them in a right way. But rather let us make it an advantage for them to doe them best service, when they have most need, not to speake our owne good, but in them, and with them, elfe we shall commit the same Crimes our selves, which we must condemne in others.

Now we fee what the Sores are in generall, and when more particulars shall happen to appeare, let us beevery carefull to draw our the koares of them, and not skimme them over with a flight suppurating fester-cure, left they fhould prefently breake out againe into greater mischiefes, consider of that Counsels, and fpeake your minds. The

The which I humbly befeech this House, that it may be done with as much moderation, as the publique safety of the Kingdome can possible admit.



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